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DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

Applicant's proposed amendments to the claims would add new limitations to the presently recited claims. Thus, Applicant's proposed amendments to the claims are not deemed to place the application in better form for appeal by materially reducing or simplifying the issues for appeal. Further, the new limitations which would be added by Applicant's proposed amendments would require further consideration of the prior art cited so far, and a further search of the prior art. Therefore, the **proposed amendments to the claims are not entered.**

Response to Arguments

Applicant's arguments filed 03 November 2008 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive. Firstly, Applicant's arguments are based on the proposed amendments to the claims, which have not been entered for reasons articulated above. Secondly, a cursory look at the cited reference Motoyama (US-5,353,388) leads Examiner to believe that the proposed amendments to the claims are possibly taught by the prior art already cited. Specifically, the Option Processor (figure 3(210) of Motoyama) has as one of its functions the control of which printer is to be used (column 6, lines 17-24 of Motoyama). Printing options generally come from the PDL language, so the first and second identifiers for the first and second groups of pages are likely taught by Motoyama.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to James A. Thompson whose telephone number is (571)272-7441. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:30AM-5:00PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Edward L. Coles can be reached on 571-272-7402. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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